RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND SUPERINTENDENT OF THE OAKLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT Resolution No. 1314-1147

Recognition of Think College Now Elementary as a 2014 California Distinguished School

WHEREAS, There are more than 10,000 schools in the state of California and more than 5,700 elementary schools; and,

WHEREAS, Each year, the California Department of Education (CDE) selects just a few dozen schools from across the state as California Distinguished Schools; and,

WHEREAS, in 2014, Think College Now was one of just 424 elementary schools—less than 1% percent of the total statewide — to be recognized as a California Distinguished School; and,

WHEREAS, The 2014 California Distinguished Schools Program focuses on the right to an equitable and rigorous education and recognizes those schools that have made progress in narrowing the academic achievement gap; and,

WHEREAS, State Superintendent of Instruction Tom Torlakson commended Think College Now and its fellow winners for "making such impressive strides in preparing their students for continued success," and added that "This award is well-deserved by these school communities for their enduring dedication to high standards, hard work, and unwavering support"; and,

WHEREAS, this year's recognition marks the second time since 2008 that Think College Now has been named a California Distinguished School, and the first time under the guidance of Principal Allison Henkel, who was honored with OUSD's "New Leader" award in recognition of the Principal who must "successfully and creatively balanced the instructional, administrative, and community-building aspects of their new role,"

WHEREAS, Henkel, was honored with OUSD's "New Leader" award in recognition of the Principal who must "successfully and creatively balanced the instructional, administrative, and community-building aspects of their new role,"

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education and the Superintendent of the Oakland Unified School District salute the students, staff, and families of Think College Now Elementary for superior performance in the areas of equity and academic achievement and for surpassing the overwhelming majority of California schools in fostering student leaning and social growth.

Given under our hand and the District's seal the 28th day of May 2014 at Oakland, California.

David Kakishiba

President, Board of Education Oakland Unified School District Gary Yee, Ed.D. Superintendent

Oakland Unified School District

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Education the Oakland Unified School District, this 28th day of May, 2014, by the following vote:

AYES:

Jody London, Jumoke Hinton Hodge, Roseann Torres,

Christopher Dobbins, Vice President James Harris and President

David Kakishiba

NOES:

None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT:

Anne Washington

CERTIFICATION

I, Gary Yee, Ed.D., Superintendent and Secretary of the Board of Education of the Oakland Unified School District, Alameda County, State of California, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was duly approved and adopted by the Board of Education of said District at a Regular Meeting thereof held on the 28th day of May, 2014, with a copy of such Resolution being on file in the Office of the Board of Education of said District.

Gary Yee, Ed.D.

Secretary, Governing Board Oakland Unified School District

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